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George Washington crosses the Delaware tomorrow.

Acting out one of the great dramatic moments of American history, St. John Terrell and a group of followers will repeat Washington's crossing of the river.

Their fourth annual trek across the river will start at 2 p.m. on Christmas Day, as Washington did it in 1776.

The crossing will take place one-half mile above the Washington Crossing Bridge, eight miles above Trenton. The group will go from the Pennsylvania side to the New Jersey side of the river.

Terrell will enact the role of Washington, in complete uniform, as will be others of the crew in the boat with him. The others are Lowell Birrell as Col. Knox, George Bailey, Stanley Reading, and author Budd Schulberg.

The river will be crossed in a Durham boat, an exact replica of Washington's original craft. The historic pageant is sponsored by the Washington Crossing Park Commission.

## Canal Clearing Develops Snag

PORT SAID — UP — New snags developed today in United Nations efforts to begin clearing the Suez Canal.

Lt. Gen. Raymond A. Wheeler, the U.N. salvage chief, had hoped to begin actual clearance today but was faced with Egyptian refusal to accept British salvage crews.

## No Paper Tomorrow

There will be no paper published tomorrow because of the Christmas holiday. (Continued on Page 3, Col. 4)

## Gift Buying, Parties Draw To A Close

Carols and Church Services Herald Christmas Day

By BOB REINHARDT  
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Don't expect a blanket of snow to smooth the path for Santa's sleigh in Lower Bucks County tonight or give our community the Christmas card look.

The weather bureau forecast fair and mild Christmas skies, but neglected to add that there will be ample warmth in the hearts and in the activities of Lower Bucks Countians.

Tomorrow, Christmas Day, is the climax of a busy round of yuletide parties, gifts, good deeds and church services.

If you're the average reader, you probably still have one or two gifts to buy or wrap as you read this, or just noticed a couple of people overlooked on the Christmas card list, or have yet to put finishing touches on the Christmas tree.

### Eve of Big Day

After these chores are completed, this evening will be devoted to further festivities and carol and communion services, as the younger set determines that this year they will stay awake long enough to see Santa Claus arrive.

Many of the newer families of Lower Bucks today are on their way north, south, east and west to join the parents and in-laws for Christmas dinner, while others this time are playing host to the old folks.

"We're spending Christmas at home," used to mean a trip to the homestead upstairs or in the city, but now it means that Lower Bucks has become "home".

### Pre-Christmas Activities

The pre-Christmas activities have included the decoration of many homes with attractive lights and figures. Many communities are offering prizes for the best decorations. Shopping centers have been gaily decorated several weeks and further embellished with Christmas music.

Fraternal, civic and labor organizations, and many impromptu groups of kind-hearted people have already spread the Santa Claus spirit through Lower Bucks County with parties and gifts for children and needy persons.

Official Christmas parties, though apparently milder than in past

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Firemen Save Acting Horse

About 120 fire-fighters from four companies fought a spectacular barn fire in Feasterville early yesterday, after three cows and a

a famous vaudeville horse were rescued from the burning structure.

The blaze, which was fought for almost six hours, destroyed a barn owned by George Fox, 42, of Stern Mill road and Philmont avenue. Mr. Fox is president of the Nesheim PTA.

The barn, which was loaded with hay, was "completely burned," reported Chief Leonard Hesch, of Feasterville Fire Company. Chief Hesch said his company and the Trevose company were the first at the scene. They

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The cows and an old horse named Teddy, were led to safety through the flames by Mr. Fox, prior to the arrival of fire-fighters. The horse was